

DECEMBER 10, 1996

Mr. Dewey Pendergrass
Director
Orderly Departure Program
American Embassy
Box 58
APO AP 96546

Re: V-116048 and IV-335236
VO VAN BA, Born on December 31, 1936 in Go-Cong, Viet-Nam,
Head of family of three.

Dear Sir:

I am writing and asking for your generous reconsideration of my two unmarried children, whose names, dates of birth and address are listed below.

Name	Sex	Date of Birth	Address
VO TAN HONG	M	Feb.11, 1968	34 Khom 02, Phuong 03, Duong
VO THI HONG-THAO	F	Nov.01, 1973	Nguyen Trai, Thi-Xa Go-Cong Tinh Tien-Giang, Viet-Nam

Please be informed that my two children and I were interviewed on March 10, 1995, and that our refugee applications were denied by an officer of the United States Orderly Departure Program in Ho Chi Minh City, due to his judgement that the documentation I presented was not genuine.

After making necessary appeals by myself and my brother, Vo Van Lit, in the United States, I was reinterviewed on April 17, 1996 and accepted for resettlement in the United States under Section 207 of the Immigration & Nationality Act. Unfortunately, the names of my two children listed above were deleted from my interview list for reinterview due to their passing of over 21 years of age.

I believe that my two children's status under the eligibility guidelines of the Orderly Departure Program is affected by the McCain Amendment of the 1997 Foreign Operations Act which reinstates eligibility of the unmarried children of over 21 years of age of the former Vietnamese political prisoners.

I respectfully request ODP check my children's cases according to case number provided above and confirm me that my two unmarried children, VO TAN HONG and VO THI HONG-THAO, are eligible and part of the group that ODP is now contacting to propose for interview. If a new Letter of Introduction has already been sent, I would appreciate having a copy of this letter in order to know the date it was sent and to what address in Viet-Nam. That will help me ensure it arrives.

I appreciate that your office is busy with many cases, but my fa-

mily and I are equally anxious to ensure that the case my two un-married children be reconsidered under the new law before their eligibility expires.

On behalf of my two children and myself, I wish to extend to you and your staff my heart felt appreciation for your reconsideration of this humanitarian matter.

Very truly yours,

Van Ba

VO VAN BA

Santa Ana, California 92703

Encl: "McCain" Family Verification Form
Copy of my Form I-94

✓ cc:FVPPA,

Fulls Church, CA 22043 "For info"

State of California

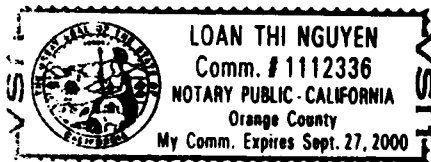
SS

County of Orange

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of December 1996.

Loan Thi Nguyen

Notary Public



"McCain" FAMILY VERIFICATION FORM

To: ODP/OPU/Hopkins
 Box 58 - American Embassy
 APO AP 96546

Parents Information		
Name: <u>VO VAN BA</u>	Address: <u>Santa Ana, CA 92703</u>	V-Number: <u>V-116048</u>
DOB: <u>Dec. 31, 1936</u>	(in U.S.) _____	IV-Number: <u>335236</u>
Phone _____		Date of ODP Interview <u>Apr. 17, 96</u>
		Volag <u>USCC</u>

Children in Vietnam & DOB (Name & DOB)	Address in Vietnam	Marita Status	Date of Marriage	Spouse's Name & DOB	Children's Name Date of Birth
	34 Khom 2, Phuong 03, Duong				
VO TAN HONG	Nguyen Trai, Thi-Xa Go-	M	None	None	Feb. 11, 1968
	Cong, Tinh Tien-Giang, VN				
VO THI HONG-THAO	Same as listed above	F	None	None	Nov. 01, 1973

Vo Van Ba
 Signed: Vo Van Ba

State of California
County of Orange SS

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Departure Number

532889208 04

Immigration and
Naturalization Service

I-94

Departure Record

ADMITTED INDEFINITELY
AS A REFUGEE PURSUANT
TO SEC. 207 OF THE I&N
ACT. IF YOU DEPART THE
U.S. YOU WILL NEED
PRIOR PERMISSION FROM
I&NS TO RETURN.
EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZED.

(Port) (Date) (Imm. Off.)

LOS 4327 SEP 17 1996

14. Family Name VO	
15. First (Given) Name BA VAN	16. Birth Date (Day/Mo/Yr) 31 12 36
17. Country of Citizenship VIETNAM	

Warning - A nonimmigrant who accepts unauthorized employment is subject to portation.

Important - Retain this permit in your possession; *you must surrender it when you leave the U.S.* Failure to do so may delay your entry into the U.S. in the future.

You are authorized to stay in the U.S. only until the date written on this form. To remain past this date, without permission from immigration authorities, is a violation of the law.

Surrender this permit when you leave the U.S.:

- By sea or air, to the transportation line;
- Across the Canadian border, to a Canadian Official;
- Across the Mexican border, to a U.S. Official.

Students planning to reenter the U.S. within 30 days to return to the same school, see "Arrival-Departure" on page 2 of Form I-20 prior to surrendering this permit.

Record of Changes

A#	74516624	V#	V116048	IV#	335236
SANTA ANA		CA 92705		USCC	

Port:

Departure Record

Date:

Carrier:

Flight #/Ship Name:

Vo Van Ba

Santa Ana, CA 92703



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Falls Church, VA 22043

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